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Sir:

This responds to the June 20, 2006 Office Action in the above-identified patent application.

Please amend the claims as set out below in Section I (Amendments to the Claims) hereof.

Please amend the drawings as set out below in **Section II (Amendments to the Drawings)** hereof.

Please amend the specification as set out below in Section III (Amendments to the Specification) hereof.

Remarks relating to the amendments made herein in relation to the June 20, 2006 Office Action are set out below in **Section IV** (**Remarks**) hereof.